

Note from the Program Manager

From its inception in 1998, the CALFED Watershed Program has been a product of active and committed involvement from a broad and diverse collection of interested people. When the Programmatic Record of Decision was released in August 2000, these same people were faced with the challenge of implementing the Watershed Program Plan they had worked

so hard to develop. One of the first steps toward Plan implementation was taken during the summer of 2000 when the Watershed Program issued an "Initial Implementation Strategy." The strategy included a purpose statement and set of major objectives. The purpose of initial implementation of the Watershed Program is to demonstrate the value and contributions of watershed management using a community-based and locally led approach to achieving CALFED goals for the Bay-Delta system and broader solution area. The Watershed Program initiated this demonstration by soliciting, evaluating, and selecting an initial set of projects that best:

- define and illustrate relationships between watershed processes and the primary goals and objectives of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program;
- address one or more specific outcomes identified as a priority by CALFED during Stage 1;
- demonstrate the value of watershed efforts to CALFED in geographically diverse locations within the solution area;
- demonstrate the value of a community-based approach in addressing a diversity of issues, circumstances, and community characteristics found in different watersheds within the solution area; and
- further the long-term objectives of CALFED.

The projects and activities described in this catalog were the first set selected by the Program to help meet the stated purpose and objectives

of the Initial Strategy. We are proud to be able to support these important projects and are confident that these projects will contribute significantly to successful implementation of the Watershed Program.

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Note from the Chairs

The continued challenge of reinvestment in watersheds of the Bay-Delta has been the focus of the Watershed Subcommittee since its inception. With the commitment of three administrations and countless volunteers, the Watershed Program has developed into one of the most successful and productive of all the CALFED elements. Our dedication and emphasis on local community involvement in developing solutions have been cornerstones of the Program. The Program has brought communities within the solution area to a better understanding of how management through reinvestment in our watersheds is directly linked to the economic engine of the State.



We are pleased that the Program has served as a forum where people from all over the State have come together to develop policies that have fostered the realization of a Watershed Program for all of California.

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